**राजस्थान में सहकारी बुनकर समितियां**

1729. डा० अबरार अहमद : क्या वस्त्र मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) राजस्थान में कितनी सहकारी बुनकर समितियां हैं ;

(ख) कितनी समितियां कार्य कर रही हैं और कितनी बंद पड़ी हैं तथा कितनी समितियों को धागा उपलब्ध कराया जा रहा है ;

(ग) क्या यह सच है कि ऐसे बुनकरों को, जिन्हें राजस्थान के उद्योग विभाग द्वारा ऋण दिया गया था, परेशान किया जा रहा है;

(घ) गुजराती समाज बुनकर सहकारी समिति को कुल कितना ऋण दिया गया है और उक्त समिति ने किस-किस तिथि पर ऋण की किश्तों का भुगतान किया है तथा उसे दिये गये ऋण की मूल राशि, उस पर देय ब्याज और भुगतान के लिये शेष राशि का ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ङ) बकाया राशि के भुगतान के लिये पिछले चौदह वर्षों के दौरान उन्हें कितनी बार लिखित नोटिस जारी किये गये थे ?

वस्त्र मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री अशोक गहलोत) : (क) भारत सरकार के पास प्राप्त अंतिम रिपोर्ट के अनुसार इस समय राजस्थान में 638 बुनकर सहकारी समितियां हैं ।

(ख) इनमें से 231 समितियां कार्य कर रही हैं और 407 बंद पड़ी हैं । 231 समितियों को धागा उपलब्ध कराया जा रहा हैं ।

(ग) केंद्र सरकार के पास ऐसी कोई जानकारी नहीं हैं ।

(घ) राज्य सरकार से प्राप्त सूचना के अनुसार राज्य में गुजराती समाज बुनकर सहकारी समिति नाम की कोई समिति नहीं हैं । तथापि राज्य सरकार ने सूचित किया हैं कि मै० गुजराती मोमिन सहकारी समिति लि०, सवाई माधोपुर को 1-4-1960 को 39,375 - रुपये का ऋण दिया गया था । 31-3-1990 की स्थिति के अनुसार 18,160 - मूल राशि और 39,954 - रुपये ब्याज के रूप में देने शेष हैं ।

(ङ) राज्य सरकार ने सूचित किया है कि मूल राशि व ब्याज बकाया राशि देने के लिए इस उक्त समिति को तेरह नोटिस दिये गये थे नोटिस जिला उद्योग केंद्र और सहकारी विभाग, सवाई माधोपुर द्वारा दिये गये । यह उक्त समिति पर समाप्ति पर हैं ।

**Closure of Azamjahi Textile Mills in Warangal district in Andhra Pradesh**

1730. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to close Azamjahi Textile Mills in Warangal district in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) (a) and (b) In order to improve the performance of National Textile Corporation mills, including Azamjahi Mills, various alternatives are under consideration of the Government as a long term solution. However, no decision has been taken in this regard.

**Modification of the Jute reservation orders**

1731. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 113 given in the Rajya Sabha on 16th July, 1991 and state:

(a) whether Government plan to continue with the Jute (Packaging)

Order to facilitate the Jute industry and also to help the environment; and

(b) if so, whether Government are planning to include more items particularly potassic fertilisers to be covered for 100 per cent packaging in jute bags?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) and (b) Orders reserving the packaging of specified commodities i.e. foodgrains, sugar, urea and cement in jute material are reviewed from time to time keeping in view the existing level of availability and consumption of jute and the protection of the interests of persocns engaged in the jute industry and in the production of raw jute. It is not proposed at present to reserve, the packaging of other sectors in jute material. However, other industries are free to use jute packaging material without any compulsion.

**Share of Andhra Pradesh in the export of long and extra long staple cotton**

1732. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total production of long and extra long staple cotton;

(b) what is the quantity that is being exported and what is the share of Andhra Pradesh in the total production of these varieties; and

(c) what steps have been taken by the Central Government to augment the same, with particular reference to Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) and (b) During 1990-91 cotton season, the total production of long and extra long staple cotton in the country has been estimated at 47.65 lakh bales out of which the share of Andhra Pradesh was about 14 lakh bales. Govt. had released quotas for export of 8.52 lakh bales of cotton in these two categories together during the 1990-91 cotton season out of which the exports were to the extent of 7.05 lakh bales.

(c) A centrally sponsored Intensive Cotton Development programme (ICDP) is being implemented in 11 major cotton growing States including Andhra Pradesh under which assistance is being provided for production and distribution of certified seeds. Integrated Pest Management, farmers' Training programme, etc. which releasing quotas for export, the status of Andhra Pradesh would be given due consideration along with other cotton producing States.

**Theft of Government properties in companies under BICL**

1733. PROF. SAURIN BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Paach-Ke-Khilaf Chorike-report-darj" dated 25th November, 1991 and another one captioned "Chori-Ke-Mamle par-Fir Hangama" dated the 27th November, 1991 published in the SWATANTRA BHARAT, a prominent daily; and

(b) what are the details of thefts of the properties in the companies of the British India Corporation limited in the past few months?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) and (b) yes, Sir. In fact there was no theft. As a routine different types of wastes, scraps etc. were auctioned on 16-9-91 which contained one item of burnt cast iron scrap also. When the highest bidder came and loaded the auctioned material at the gate of the Mill one dismissed employee created problem with the people and he also lodged one complaint with the Police. The Police have